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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

AUSTRALIA.

Sydney—Examination of Rats.

The following information was taken from bulletins issued by the department of public health of New South Wales: During the 5 weeks ended October 14, 2,059 rats were examined for plague infection. No plague-infected rat was found.

The last case of human plague was reported May 29, 1909. The last plague-infected rat was found April 25, 1910.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

Status of Cholera.

The following information was received from Chargé d'Affaires Grew at Vienna:

During the period from October 9 to 14, 2 new cases of cholera with 1 death were reported in Austria. These cases occurred at two localities situated in the Coastland.

During the period from October 7 to 16, 29 cases of cholera with 7 deaths were reported in Hungary, occurring as follows: In the town of Alsolupko 10 cases with 4 deaths and in the village of Kuman 19 cases with 3 deaths.

ECUADOR.

Plague and Yellow Fever.

The following information was received from the director of health of Ecuador for the period, October 16-31, 1911:

Plague.—At Guayaquil 51 cases with 18 deaths were reported.

Yellow fever.—At Bucay there were reported 2 cases, at Chobo 1 case, at Guayaquil 8 cases with 4 deaths, at Milagro 3 cases.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Case of Plague at Suffolk, England.

The following information was received from the American embassy at London: A case of plague occurred at the Admiralty Barracks at Shotley, county of Suffolk, in the person of a seaman who was admitted to hospital October 10. The case was bacteriologically verified. The origin of the infection has not been determined.

HAWAII.

Record of Plague Infection.

The last case of human plague at Honolulu occurred July 12, 1910.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Aiea, 9 miles from Honolulu, April 12, 1910.